VENTAS INC Form 4 January 16, 2007

# FORM 4

# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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Form 4 or

1(b).

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Form 5 obligations may continue. See Instruction

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*\*CAFARO DEBRA A

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading

Issuer

below)

Symbol
VENTAS INC [VTR]

(Last) (First)

(Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 01/11/2007

\_X\_ Director \_X\_ Officer (give title

\_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify

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4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)
\_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

Chairman, President and CEO

\_\_\_\_ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

LOUISVILLE,, KY 40223

| (City)                               | (State)                                 | (Zip) Tab   | le I - Non-De                           | erivative S   | ecurit    | ies Acqui  | red, Disposed of,                             | or Beneficial   | ly Owned |
|--------------------------------------|---|---|---|---|-----------|--|---|---|----------|
| 1.Title of<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3.<br>Transaction<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) |           | 5. Amount of<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transaction(s) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |          |
|                                      |   |   | Code V                                  | Amount  | or<br>(D) | Price  | (Instr. 3 and 4)                              |   |          |
| Common<br>Stock                      | 01/11/2007                              |   | M                                       | 24,500  | A         | \$<br>23.81  | 742,601                                       | D   |          |
| Common<br>Stock                      | 01/11/2007                              |   | S(1)(2)                                 | 100   | D         | \$<br>42.04  | 742,501                                       | D   |          |
| Common<br>Stock                      | 01/11/2007                              |   | S(1)(2)                                 | 300   | D         | \$<br>42.09  | 742,201                                       | D   |          |
| Common<br>Stock                      | 01/11/2007                              |   | S(1)(2)                                 | 200   | D         | \$<br>42.15  | 742,001                                       | D   |          |
| Common<br>Stock                      | 01/11/2007                              |   | S(1)(2)                                 | 200   | D         | \$<br>42.16  | 741,801                                       | D   |          |

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| Common<br>Stock | 01/11/2007 | S(1)(2)      | 200   | D | \$<br>42.18 | 741,601 | D |
|-----------------|------------|--------------|-------|---|-------------|---------|---|
| Common<br>Stock | 01/11/2007 | S(1)(2)      | 112   | D | \$<br>42.19 | 741,489 | D |
| Common<br>Stock | 01/11/2007 | S(1)(2)      | 300   | D | \$ 42.2     | 741,189 | D |
| Common<br>Stock | 01/11/2007 | S(1)(2)      | 485   | D | \$<br>42.21 | 740,704 | D |
| Common<br>Stock | 01/11/2007 | S(1)(2)      | 903   | D | \$<br>42.22 | 739,801 | D |
| Common<br>Stock | 01/11/2007 | S(1)(2)      | 700   | D | \$<br>42.23 | 739,101 | D |
| Common<br>Stock | 01/11/2007 | S(1)(2)      | 400   | D | \$<br>42.24 | 738,701 | D |
| Common<br>Stock | 01/11/2007 | S(1)(2)      | 600   | D | \$<br>42.25 | 738,101 | D |
| Common<br>Stock | 01/11/2007 | S(1)(2)      | 900   | D | \$<br>42.26 | 737,201 | D |
| Common<br>Stock | 01/11/2007 | S(1)(2)      | 1,038 | D | \$<br>42.27 | 736,163 | D |
| Common<br>Stock | 01/11/2007 | S(1)(2)      | 1,059 | D | \$<br>42.28 | 735,104 | D |
| Common<br>Stock | 01/11/2007 | S(1)(2)      | 1,303 | D | \$<br>42.29 | 733,801 | D |
| Common<br>Stock | 01/11/2007 | S(1)(2)      | 600   | D | \$ 42.3     | 733,201 | D |
| Common<br>Stock | 01/11/2007 | S(1)(2)      | 1,306 | D | \$<br>42.31 | 731,895 | D |
| Common<br>Stock | 01/11/2007 | S(1)(2)      | 737   | D | \$<br>42.32 | 731,158 | D |
| Common<br>Stock | 01/11/2007 | S(1)(2)      | 452   | D | \$<br>42.33 | 730,706 | D |
| Common<br>Stock | 01/11/2007 | S(1)(2)      | 800   | D | \$<br>42.34 | 729,906 | D |
| Common<br>Stock | 01/11/2007 | S(1)(2)      | 657   | D | \$<br>42.35 | 729,249 | D |
| Common<br>Stock | 01/11/2007 | S(1)(2)      | 700   | D | \$<br>42.36 | 728,549 | D |
| Common<br>Stock | 01/11/2007 | S(1)(2)      | 448   | D | \$<br>42.37 | 728,101 | D |
|                 | 01/11/2007 | $S_{(1)(2)}$ | 300   | D |             | 727,801 | D |

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| Common<br>Stock  |            |         |     |   | \$<br>42.38         |   |
|------------------|------------|---------|-----|---|---------------------|---|
| Common<br>Stock  | 01/11/2007 | S(1)(2) | 200 | D | \$<br>42.39 727,601 | D |
| Common<br>Stock  | 01/11/2007 | S(1)(2) | 400 | D | \$ 42.4 727,201     | D |
| Common<br>Stock  | 01/11/2007 | S(1)(2) | 200 | D | \$<br>42.41 727,001 | D |
| Common Stock (3) | 01/11/2007 | S(1)(2) | 600 | D | \$<br>42.42 726,401 | D |

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

| 1. Title of                          | 2.          | 3. Transaction Date | 3A. Deemed         | 4.                    | 5. Number of   | 6. Date Exercisab | le and             | 7. Title and A        | Amount o               |
|--------------------------------------|-------------|---------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|----------------|-------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|
| Derivative                           | Conversion  | (Month/Day/Year)    | Execution Date, if | TransactionDerivative |                | Expiration Date   |                    | Underlying Securities |                        |
| Security                             | or Exercise |                     | any                | Code                  | Securities     | (Month/Day/Year   | r)                 | (Instr. 3 and         | 4)                     |
| (Instr. 3)                           | Price of    |                     | (Month/Day/Year)   | (Instr. 8)            | Acquired (A)   |                   |                    |                       |                        |
|                                      | Derivative  |                     |                    |                       | or Disposed of |                   |                    |                       |                        |
|                                      | Security    |                     |                    |                       | (D)            |                   |                    |                       |                        |
|                                      |             |                     |                    | (Instr. 3, 4,         |                |                   |                    |                       |                        |
|                                      |             |                     |                    |                       | and 5)         |                   |                    |                       |                        |
|                                      |             |                     |                    |                       |                | Date Exercisable  | Expiration<br>Date | Title                 | Amount<br>or<br>Number |
|                                      |             |                     |                    | Code V                | (A) (D)        |                   |                    |                       | of Share               |
| Stock<br>Option<br>(Right to<br>Buy) | \$ 23.81    | 01/11/2007          |                    | M                     | 24,500         | 01/23/2004(4)     | 01/23/2014         | Common<br>Stock       | 24,500                 |

# **Reporting Owners**

| Reporting Owner Name / Address  | Relationships |           |                                   |       |  |  |  |
|---|---------------|-----------|-----------------------------------|-------|--|--|--|
| . 9   | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer                           | Other |  |  |  |
| CAFARO DEBRA A<br>10350 ORMSBY PARK PLACE, SUITE 300<br>LOUISVILLE,, KY 40223 | X             |           | Chairman,<br>President and<br>CEO |       |  |  |  |

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### **Signatures**

Debra A. Cafaro, By: T. Richard Riney, Attorney-In-Fact

01/16/2007

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

Date

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- \*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) On January 11, 2007, the Reporting Person transmitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission a Form 144 covering the sale of the Issuer's common stock reported on Table I.
- (2) These shares are being sold pursuant to a written non-discretionary Rule 10b5-1(c) sales plan dated November 3, 2006.
- (3) Please see the Reporting Person's subsequent Form 4 filing dated the date hereof which contains additional transactions which are part of one aggregate direction under the Rule 10b5-1(c) sales plan described in Footnote (2).
- (4) These options were part of a previously reported grant of 142,080 on January 23, 2004 by the Issuer to the Reporting Person that vested in three equal installments on January 23, 2004, January 23, 2005 and January 23, 2006.
- (5) Represents total number of unexercised stock options held by the Reporting Person as of January 11, 2007.

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